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The text of ISO 4254-1:2013 has been prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 23 "Tractors and machinery for agriculture and forestry" of the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) and has been taken over as EN ISO 4254-1:2015 by Technical Committee CEN/TC 144 "Tractors and machinery for agriculture and forestry", the secretariat of which is held by AFNOR.

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by April 2016, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by April 2016.

Attention is drawn to the possibility that some of the elements of this document may be the subject of patent rights. CEN [and/or CENELEC] shall not be held responsible for identifying any or all such patent rights.

This document supersedes EN ISO 4254-1:2013.

This 4th edition cancels and replaces the third edition (EN ISO 4254-1:2013) where the following changes were introduced (compared to EN ISO 4254-1:2009):

- requirements related the protection from moving parts involved in the work have been added in 4.2;
- requirements related to vibration have been added in 4.3;
- requirements related to automatic mode of operation have been added in 4.6;
- requirements related to foldable barriers have been added in 4.9;
- requirements related to operating fluids have been added in 4.15;
- requirements related to emergency stop controls have been added in 4.19;
- requirements related to safety related parts of control systems have been added in 4.20;
- requirements related to roll-over and tip-over hazards have been added in 5.7;
- requirements related to PTO drive shaft guard clearance have been added in 6.4.

This document has been prepared under a mandate given to CEN by the European Commission and the European Free Trade Association, and supports essential requirements of the Machinery Directive 2006/42/EC. It is intended to be used together with EN 15811: 2014 "Agricultural machinery – Fixed guards and interlocked guards with or without guard locking for moving transmission parts (ISO/TS 28923: 2012 modified)".

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**Relationship between this European Standard and the Essential Requirements of EU Directive 2006/42/EC**

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Once this standard is cited in the Official Journal of the European Union under that Directive and has been implemented as a national standard in at least one Member State, compliance with the normative clauses of this standard confers, within the limits of the scope of this standard, a presumption of conformity with the relevant Essential Requirements of that Directive and associated EFTA regulations, except Essential Requirements 1.7.3 and 3.6.2.

**NOTE** Compliance with EN ISO 4254-1 and a machine-specific part of EN ISO 4254 is required to achieve presumption of conformity with the corresponding Essential Requirements of the Directive and associated EFTA regulations. Conformity with ESR 1.7.4.2 u) 4th paragraph, 2nd sentence (uncertainty of noise measurement) can only be claimed if the relevant machine-specific part of EN ISO 4254 includes specifications of the noise measurement uncertainty.

**WARNING** — Other requirements and other EU Directives may be applicable to the product(s) falling within the scope of this standard.

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## Foreword

ISO (the International Organization for Standardization) is a worldwide federation of national standards bodies (ISO member bodies). The work of preparing International Standards is normally carried out through ISO technical committees. Each member body interested in a subject for which a technical committee has been established has the right to be represented on that committee. International organizations, governmental and non-governmental, in liaison with ISO, also take part in the work. ISO collaborates closely with the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) on all matters of electrotechnical standardization.

The procedures used to develop this document and those intended for its further maintenance are described in the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 1. In particular the different approval criteria needed for the different types of ISO documents should be noted. This document was drafted in accordance with the editorial rules of the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2. [www.iso.org/directives](http://www.iso.org/directives)

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The committee responsible for this document is ISO/TC 23, *Tractors and machinery for agriculture and forestry*, Subcommittee SC 3, *Safety and comfort*.

This fifth edition of ISO 4254-1 cancels and replaces the fourth edition (ISO 4254-1:2008), which has been technically revised. In particular, requirements relating to the following have been introduced:

- vibrations;
- protection of moving parts;
- operation of machine parts;
- operating fluids;
- foldable barriers;
- PTO drive shaft guard clearance;
- emergency stop controls;
- safety related parts of control systems;
- roll-over and tip-over hazards.

ISO 4254 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Agricultural machinery — Safety*:

- *Part 1: General requirements*
- *Part 5: Power-driven soil-working machines*
- *Part 6: Sprayers and liquid fertilizer distributors*
- *Part 7: Combine harvesters, forage harvesters and cotton harvesters*
- *Part 8: Solid fertilizer distributors*
- *Part 9: Seed drills*
- *Part 10: Rotary tedders and rakes*

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- *Part 11: Pick-up balers*
- *Part 12: Rotary disc and drum mowers and flail mowers*
- *Part 13: Large rotary mowers*

ISO 4254-2, *Anhydrous ammonia applicators*, has been withdrawn.

ISO 4254-3, *Tractors*, has been cancelled and replaced by ISO 26322 (all parts), *Tractors for agriculture and forestry — Safety*.

ISO 4254-4, *Tractors and machinery for agriculture and forestry — Technical means for providing safety — Part 4: Forestry winches*, has been cancelled and replaced by ISO 19472, *Machinery for forestry — Winches — Dimensions, performance and safety*.

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## Introduction

This document is a type-C standard as stated in ISO 12100.

The machinery concerned and the extent to which hazards, hazardous situations and events are covered are indicated in the scope of this document.

When requirements of this type-C standard are different from those which are stated in type-A or type-B standards, the requirements of this type-C standard take precedence over the requirements of the other standards for machines that have been designed and built according to the requirements of this type-C standard.

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# Agricultural machinery — Safety —

## Part 1: General requirements

### 1 Scope

This part of ISO 4254 specifies the safety requirements and the means of their verification for the design and construction of self-propelled ride-on machines, mounted, semi-mounted and trailed machines used in agriculture in order to deal with the hazards which are typical for most of the machines. In addition, it specifies the type of information on safe working practices including information about residual risks to be provided by the manufacturer.

This document deals with significant hazards, hazardous situations and events, as listed in [Annex A](#), relevant to this agricultural machinery when used as intended and under the conditions of misuse foreseeable by the manufacturer during normal operation and service.

This part of ISO 4254 is not applicable to

- agricultural or forestry tractors,
- aircraft and air-cushion vehicles used in agriculture,
- lawn and garden equipment,
- machine-specific components or functions (e.g. working tools and/or processes).

This part of ISO 4254 is not applicable to hazards related to periodic service, machine conversion and repairs intended to be carried out by professional service personnel, environmental hazards, road safety (e.g. steering, braking), or to the power take-off (PTO) drive shaft; neither is it applicable to guards of moving parts for power transmission except for strength requirements for guards and barriers.

This part of ISO 4254 is not applicable to machines which are manufactured before the date of its publication.

Not all of the hazards dealt with by this part of ISO 4254 are necessarily present on a particular machine. A risk assessment should be carried out by the manufacturer to determine the hazards that are applicable and any hazards in addition to those dealt with by this part or a relevant machine-specific part. The requirements of a machine-specific part of ISO 4254 take precedence over the requirements of this part.

### 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 3600:1996, *Tractors, machinery for agriculture and forestry, powered lawn and garden equipment — Operator's manuals — Content and presentation*

ISO 3744:2010, *Acoustics — Determination of sound power levels and sound energy levels of noise sources using sound pressure — Engineering methods for an essentially free field over a reflecting plane*

ISO 3767-1:1998, *Tractors, machinery for agriculture and forestry, powered lawn and garden equipment — Symbols for operator controls and other displays — Part 1: Common symbols*